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Congress probers open big guns on the unions; Army says 'Sir' to Joe

By Lawrence Emery

DREARILY, and seemingly endlessly, Congressional probers probed away; teachers, unionists and government employes were last week's targets. In Pittsburgh a Senate "task force" under Sen. John M. Butler (R-Md.), author of a Congressional bill that would put "communist-dominated" unions under supervision of the Subversive Activities Control Board and destroy them by suspending their right to collective bargaining, opened up a round of hearings. Local leaders of the independent United Electrical Workers, named as "communists" by professional informers Matthew Cvetic and Joseph Mazzei, refused to answer committee questions. The union called the hearings

> ". . . a drive of desperation to create hysteria behind which big business hopes to push through vicious anti-labor legislation aimed at the entire labor movement."

In Washington, UE legislative representative Russ Nixon said:

> "This is the kick-off of a big national legislative issue to establish governmental controls over trade unions. We consider this investigation, or whatever you want to call it, to be completely faked charges, lies, typical smearings to cover up the real intent of the committee."

Fitzpatrick in St. Louis Post-Dispatch
NOW LEADING THE CRUSADE

LAWYER ATTACKED: Butler, a member of Sen. Jenner's Internal Security Subcommittee, was elected to the Senate with the aid of Sen. Joe McCarthy in what another Senate committee denounced as a back-alley campaign. His investigators have also been busy recently in New York, Baltimore, and Philadelphia; besides the UE, he is gunning for the ind. Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers Union and the American Communications Assn. as "but a

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This is Joe McCarthy's America

Nathaniel Mills (r), GE employe in Lynn, Mass., was called a member of a "communist cell" by William Teto, whose record includes bad-check passing, who said he spied for the FBI while posing as a communist. (Teto was expelled from the Massachusetts CP in 1949, never worked at Lynn GE.) Mills objected, wanted to question Teto, was thrown out of the McCarthy hearing room. The title of the book he holds is: Giant Business—Threat to Democracy."

THE WHITE AFFAIR

Great Spy Hoax shocks allies; Canada won't play; Ike plays golf

MOST of the "free world" stood appalled last week at the deranged performance of its leader, the U.S.A. By assertion of leaders in the Eisenhower administration and GOP strategists, the great spy hoax—ranked by many with the forged Zinoviev Letter which overturned Britain's first Labour government in 1924 and the Reichstag Fire which brought Hitler to full power—was to go on and on and on. Chairman Alexander Wiley of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee took note of hostile foreign reaction and, urging "a more understanding attitude," proclaimed that the spy-hunters will "proceed full speed ahead." On tap for immediate exploitation was a list of at least eight other persons linked by the FBI to the name of Harry Dexter White. To date nothing remotely resembling proof of espionage had been offered from any source. As the **Catholic Herald Citizen,** weekly publication of the Milwaukee Archdiocese, commented:

> In these matters, it strikes us that definite proof of conscious misdemeanor would be a requirement for the legal mind ere the legal mouth were opened.

President Eisenhower himself was content to let the matter proceed; he told his press conference "he hadn't another single word to say about it . . . he didn't intend to open his mouth about it." As for McCarthyism, "it was a term that he didn't particularly understand." On Thanksgiving Eve he left for Georgia to play golf.

Lancester in Daily Express, London
"Personally, Senator, I'd like to reopen that whole cherry-tree inquiry—I figure he was shielding someone!!"

CANADA DISSENTS: Most serious international rift caused to date by the White affair was between this country and Canada. When Atty. Gen. Herbert Brownell made public a 1946 letter by FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover claiming information about White from a high Canadian official, Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent told his Parliament:

> "I must confess I was quite surprised to see brought out in any inquiry before a committee of Congress reference to what must have been, if there was anything, confidential information communicated by a Canadian official to a U.S. official."

On Nov. 20 Canadian Ambassador A. D. P. Heeney called on Gen. Walter B. Smith, Undersecy. of State, to express formally his government's "surprise" at disclosure of the letter and inform the U.S. government that a careful check failed to uncover any such Canadian source of information claimed by Hoover.

SMEAR GOES NORTH: Canada also turned down a State Dept. request that it make available for questioning Igor Gouzenko, former code clerk in the Soviet Embassy in Canada, who reported a "spy ring" there, on the ground that the Russian had no new information. The State Dept. then took the extraordinary step of repeating its request.

Canadians have been wary of—and incensed at—U.S. red scares since 1951 when a witness before the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee said

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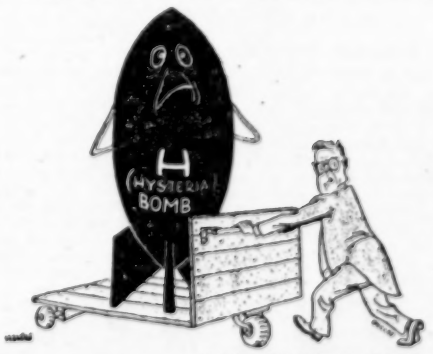
WAR & PEACE

Who's torpedoing who on Big 4 talks? Facts behind the smog

By Tabitha Petran

LAST September Secy. Dulles told the UN General Assembly that the H-bomb threatens mankind's very existence. As the current UN session nears its end, no proposal has come from the U.S. and its allies to reduce this threat.



Ludas Matyi, Budapest
"Dulles has a monopoly on this kind of bomb."

When the U.S.S.R.'s Vishinsky opened debate last week on "Measures to avert the threat of a new world war and reduce tension in international relations," Western delegations had already prepared a quiet burial.

On their own disarmament resolution, in sum reaffirming the Baruch Plan, they had maneuvered elaborately—with countless amendments, disregard for rules of procedure, prolonged debate—to isolate the socialist states by a 55-5 vote not seen in UN for a long time, and to undermine in advance the impact of the Soviet proposals. The U.S.-led majority refused to accept even a Soviet amendment declaring use of A- and H-bombs "contrary to the principles of humanity."

"WE ARE NOT MILLINERS": Reviewing the economic effects of the arms race in the capitalist and especially the colonial world, Vishinsky stressed what an East-West trade revival could do in reducing tensions. On the Baruch Plan, now slightly revised as the "UN Plan for Atomic Energy Control," he quoted U.S. and British sources to show it was designed to insure continued U.S. production of A-bombs and prevent peaceful atomic-energy development—and that top Anglo-U.S. spokesmen have long acknowledged it to be obsolete. As for the Soviet proposals (unconditional ban on all mass-destruction weapons, ⅓ cut in Big Five armed forces, abolition of military bases on foreign territories, condemnation of war propaganda), they were certainly not "new":

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"The first amendment . . . (was) inserted in our constitution so that we might say the ugly things, the things which do not sound pleasant . . . the things which make men uncomfortable in their positions of power until they render justice to the masses of the people."

—SAMUEL GOMPERS (1913).

THE MAIL BAG

Back to Calhoun

NEW YORK, N. Y.

Not long before the Civil War, John C. Calhoun, apostle of the southern policy of states' rights as a means of preserving the system of slavery for the benefit of aristocracy, saw that the only way to success for that policy lay in the demoralization of the national character. And to this tremendous and terrible task he gave his life.

Something very akin to Calhoun's may be recognized in the McCarthy-Brownell formula for the fulfillment of the selfish plans of today's aristocracy—Big Business.

Will the American people stand for it? A. Garcia Diaz

Trouble in Trieste

TRIESTE

The U. S. A. is in kind of a predicament here because both Italy and Yugoslavia expect support in case of war (and if we leave there will be war). The U. S. A. is bound to Italy through NATO and bound to Yugoslavia through the United Nations. In those two organizations, if a country goes to war all the other nations in the "club" have to lend support. Tito of Yugoslavia isn't fooling; he has the border fully lined with troops (all equipped with American supplies) and will surely attack Trieste if the Italian soldiers enter Zone A. He has guaranteed the U. S. A. and Britain that he will not attack Zone A unless the Italians enter Zone A and they cannot enter until we leave. G. I.

Farms: U. S. and U. S. S. R.

TORONTO, CANADA

I think there are more inaccuracies in William Mandel's "correction" of the Petran-Perlo articles than those he sought to clear up.

1. It is ridiculous to compare the number of trucks and harvesters on American or Canadian farms, with the number on Soviet farms. In North America farm machinery lies idle a very large part of the time, due to unnecessary duplication. At the same time, over enormous acreages divided into small holdings, machinery is not used. Mr. Mandel seems overpowered by the statistics of Washington which are notorious for their hiding of the small-farm situation in the U. S. A.

2. Mandel says: "Soviet grain handling after production is largely hand labor." I recently traveled, at harvest time, from the Czech border, through west and central Ukraine, through central Russia to Stalingrad, all down the Don to Rostov, through the Kuban, Georgia and Armenia. I saw more grain drying and cleaning machinery than exists in the whole of North America. Mr. Mandel forgets the central fact about grain. Canadian and American grain is rarely cleaned and dried, it suffers altogether fabulous spoilage, it is fearfully infested with vermin and excrement by the time it reaches the millers. This situation has never been permitted in the U. S. S. R.

How crazy can you get dept.

Dr. Norman Salit, pres. of the Synagogue Council of America, . . . who returned Monday from a month's visit to W. Germany, . . . said there was no overt anti-semitism in Germany but that German employers would not hire Jews.

—N. Y. Times, Nov. 18.

One-year free sub to sender of each item published under this heading. Winner: Stanley Turkel, Cedarhurst, L. I.

(Note to "Crazy" fans: The recent item about a move in Indiana to ban "Robin Hood" as "Red" has reached us from dozens of readers. We pass it up as already too widely known.)

3. Soviet collective farms carry out seeding, fertilizing and pest-control on a huge scale by means of aircraft, a branch of agricultural mechanization which is still primitive in Canada and the U. S.

4. Soviet industrial crops (sugar beet, cotton, rubber and others) are very much more highly mechanized in all phases than in U. S.

It is easy to get an incorrect picture of Soviet farming from some Soviet films and illustrated articles. I think average Soviet citizens are still very fond of seeing old farm methods, although in real life such methods long ago were superseded by mechanization. I saw with my own eyes truly enormous stretches of farming country entirely cropped by modern machines.

It is my considered opinion that in only one branch of farming are they backward compared to our North American practices. That is in livestock. But the goals they have set themselves show that they are capable of more rapid expansion of herds than we could contemplate.

It isn't just the crop "surplus" that makes farming grim in Canada and the U. S. We have countless thousands of farms where life is very grim even when the crop is sold. Dyson Carter

Human fertility

CANTON, O.

Olive Carroll's letter (Nov. 16) can't be disregarded. She is right on all counts but one. She should read **Our Plundered Planet, Road to Survival** and **Human Fertility—The Modern Dilemma.** All three deal with land, food production and population increase. The last, by Dr. Robert C. Cooke, will or ought to convince O. C. that the modern Malthus concept "may have something." None of these books are "scare-profit making" propaganda for any vested interest. Until otherwise proven, Dr. Cooke is not in "anybody's pocket." Elmer Fish

The glorified stool

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

The radio and television industries have found in the big lie of anti-communism a profitable source for a large number of programs. At first we just had random mystery and dramatic shows using the theme of the red menace. Then they fell on the gold mine—the confessions of stool pigeons. So we began to hear on radio the "Matt Cvetic Story" and on TV the "3 Lives of Herbert Philbrick."

Now there is a new radio program dedicated to all stoolies. It is called "Last Man Out" (NBC Sunday night). The program is very factual. It doesn't make anything up—it just repeats every lie the rat has already told. At present the program is unsponsored. **Let's keep it that way.** I believe that it is time for progressives to begin to let sponsors know that they are consumers too. We have a right to refuse to buy products of a manufacturer who is helping to bring war and fascism to the U. S. Henry Haskell

Dorothy Pleasant

CHICAGO, ILL.

In memory of Dorothy Pleasant, devoted and tireless worker for a better world for all, we are contributing the enclosed $10 to aid the GUARDIAN in carrying on in the noble struggle to which she, too, was dedicated.

A group of Sixth Ward Progressive Party members

De gustibus

ALTURAS, CALIF.

Your usual good scholarship slipped badly in translation of Petronius' Latin, "Militis in Galea Nidum Fecere Columbae" on p. 3 of the Nov. 2 issue. You said: "Soldiers in Galea are making nests for doves." The correct translation is, "In a soldier's helmet [the] doves have made a nest." (Galea means helmet.) H. P. Flower

Reader Flower is right. We reprinted the translation exactly as it appeared in the Friendship Book. However, if we make an excursion into Petronius again, we will put our Latin scholars onto the job for a double-check. Ed.

Scott Nearing's reports

E. PALATKA, FLA.

Your readers may be interested to know that Scott Nearing spent the summer studying conditions in Europe and that his reports are appearing in **Monthly Review** (66 Barrow St., N. Y. 14—$3 a year). A four-month trial subscription may be obtained by sending $1 to World Events, E. Palatka, Fla.

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Los Angeles Daily News

"There's a real liberal—neither left-wing nor right-wing."

Why GOP won

STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

The lessons of the November, 1952 elections are not those which the press and politicians proclaim. If they were, they would contradict the historical role of the working class, which is revolutionary and, therefore, progressive. The Republicans were not elected to destroy the gains which have been attained by the working class through great struggles.

If any confirmation of this is needed, the results of the recent elections are sufficient. They were an unmistakable warning to the Republicans that the policy they are pursuing is not in the interests of the working class and will not be tolerated.

The 1952 Republican victory represented a desire for a change in political affairs. On the national front, the Democrats fell victim to the fear of communism which they had so cynically engendered. It developed that some of these villains had been responsible for the program of the Democratic administration. The Republicans were not slow in following up their advantages.

On the international scene they mistakenly believed that a more forceful foreign policy would make Russia and China collapse from fright. Atomic diplomacy was their weapon for setting the Russians and the Chinese on the path to virtue and bringing the Korean War to a speedy conclusion.

These were the major reasons for the Republican victory. So far, they have succeeded only in keeping the communist issue on the national scene alive. This appears to be hardly sufficient and is entirely unacceptable when accompanied by moves aimed at lowering living standards.

George Williams

REPORT TO READERS

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The lyrics of hypocrisy

LONDON, ENGLAND

The theme of this is not my atheism or to refute theology. I abhor hypocrisy—especially such as is manifest by "song-writers" who batten on the mob-psychology of religion. With its attendant threats and fears of ex-communication, fire and brimstone, etc., millions are predestined to buy those song-sheets and records. The Lord is recruited as song-plugger and the writer rakes in the cash—all duly blessed. I apprehensively recall Hitler & Co. propelling his blood-pulpers behind a facade of "religion"—"with God's help," etc., in a crusade against humanity. This new revival, and the sources from which it emanates, makes one rather thoughtful as to the uses orthodox religion has been put to for so very long by those who appropriated it for their main weapon against humanitarian progress.

The "songs" that prompted me to write this letter are such as "You saw me crying in the chapel . . . I am happy with the Lord." And one: "I put my lips to the ear of the Lord!" We must not forget the record of a gal named Jo telling us about the "old rugged cross."

The GUARDIAN, unlike those pettifogging Pharisees, rightly sees the job in hand is to promote brotherly equality, to help bring the further life to the whole of the people, to translate that which Christianity is supposed to be into reality. William Thomas Dendy

Guardian Xmas Cards

Lowell, Mass.

"Peace On Earth—Good Will To Men"—should be a year round slogan. I'm sure my friends will be delighted to get the cards I got from your Buying Service.

Shirley Mazur

That 3 fish

BURBANK, CALIF.

The reproachful look on the face of the 3-year-old charmer, Janet Gray, looking out from page 1 of the GUARDIAN (11/2), reminding our Los Angeles Junior College art class of the $3 debt due her, serves to remind me to come through with my subscription renewal. Here it is, bless you—and sent with admiration for the magnificent work you GUARDIAN batters are doing to throw welcome light on a world scene darkened and saddened by so much political hypocrisy, legalized bigotry and official contempt for the lessons of history.

Fight on. Keep your noses clean and your hearts high, and you'll find that the staunch in-a-good-cause people of America will be with you. Guy W. Finney

Puzzle for our time

NEW YORK, N. Y.

We had a world war—the biggest in history—during which all those "spying actions" are alleged to have taken place. McCarthy and Velde were not on the scene, yet we won that biggest of all wars, and won it gloriously.

But now, with McCarthy, Budenz, Bentley, Velde and Whittaker Chambers and Brownell—with all their "informations," "investigations," jailings and executions—we lost a little war against the smaller part of Korea and lost it ignominiously, dragging in 16 other allied nations.

Isn't that a puzzle? P. Horn

"HE IS INNOCENT . . . HE MUST NOT BE DESTROYED . . ."

The Sobells remember Thanksgiving, 1952

By Helen Sobell

THIS YEAR I KEEP REMEMBERING last Thanksgiving. On Thanksgiving Day they sent my husband 3,000 miles away from me and the children, to Alcatraz. I even remember the two marshals they took from their families to hurry him away. Each visit had been so precious, and was so doubly precious now that the threat of Alcatraz haunted our every minute. We had planned for the extra visit which would come with Thanksgiving Day. This, at least, we were sure we would have.

I remember there had been the decision of the Supreme Court refusing to hear our case, and I had gone to West St. jail to try to see my husband. I had to see him, to talk to him, if only for a minute. I had sat waiting to ask permission, for what seemed hours. As I sat, waiting, Mr. John A. Harrington of the FBI hurried past me, throwing a casually insulting, "Hello, Helen." Finally I was permitted to enter the locked door to see the parole officer, and there saw my Mort.

We sat and touched our hands together. Our eyes asked and answered all the questions: "Are you strong, are you well, how shall we protect our love, and our innocence, from this horror?" Meanwhile, the parole officer's voice washed over us with words that said we had played a long shot and lost, that he was sorry for us both, that things need not have come to such a pass, that we were not helping ourselves, etc. Mort rose and told him: "My wife doesn't have to listen to this." The parole officer said: "Your wife asked to see me, if you don't want to stay you may leave." I quickly answered that I had only wanted to ask permission to see my husband, and might I be permitted such a visit? "Ten minutes," he said, and sent us to the regular visiting room to look at each other through the separating glass, and to talk to each other through telephones.

A YEAR BEFORE they had started the breaking process on Mort. "You are living in a world of illusion," they had said to him. "You must learn reality." So they had taken his work from him. "Tell a story," he had been urged, "It doesn't have to be a true story. You got a rough deal, you could do better for yourself. You must co-operate." When Mort didn't "co-operate," the next step was to show him anonymous letters. A federal prisoner may only receive letters from a restricted list; other letters are returned to the senders. But somehow there must have been a special dispensation which permitted them to show my husband anonymous letters. The letters were attempts to have him discourage me from working with the Committee to spread the truth of his innocence.

And then there was the question, relayed to him by stool pigeons and guards: "Is it true that your wife is going to leave you?"

All this was preliminary to the final threat: "You're going to be sent to Alcatraz. You will not see your children until they are 16 years old. When your wife comes to visit you, if she comes so far, she will see you through a small pane of glass and you will hear each other's voices only through a telephone. You will never touch each other's hands all the long years in Alcatraz. Remember what Judge Kaufman said, 'I note my recommendation against parole.' You have 30 years to spend in Alcatraz."

There was a telegram, "Sobell to be transferred to Alcatraz." There was the hurried legal action for a stay of carrying out the order; the lies of the prosecuting attorney to the judge; the move by the Atty. General's office to complete the transfer immediately. We felt that it was coming, and on Thanksgiving Day somehow I knew, and dashed madly to prison. They owed me 15 minutes with my husband. I could not, would not ask favors from our censor, the parole officer, but this 15 minutes was rightfully mine. "I'm sorry, when an inmate is in transit the rules do not permit visitors. . . ."

The world of unending misery

I don't know where I went, or what I did, I knew my children needed me. I worked, and slept, and ate, and laughed, and planned to see Mort in Alcatraz.

So many prisons, such a world of

HELEN AND MORTON SOBELL
Their eyes spoke for them

unending misery to have set foot upon, institutions for the damned; innocence was no protection in that world.

There was Laredo, the first prison I had been aware of, the first prison bars through which Mort had ever looked. Then it was the New York City Tombs. I went there each day for ten months, learned where to stand in line, how to ask for booths which had the telephones, (6 booths there which had the telephones, and 64 "visitors" with hands outstretched). I learned how to talk through the "talking holes" when I failed to get a telephone. I brought a little box along, after the first few days, so that, standing upon it, I could see my husband's face through the small glassed opening. A person must be tall to see an "inmate's" face in the Tombs, at least, taller than I am.

I cried when they sent my husband to Atlanta. Cried with the rage and desperation of one who has seen beasts put men in cages. Why must there be the need to break and tear apart the courage and the integrity of a Morton Sobell who knew the truth and would not depart from it? I cried for all of the beautiful work which Mort would not be able to do, for all of the wonderful studies which could not be mastered. I cried for a father who would not know his children, his baby, for the children who would not know their father. For Mort himself I cried, and for myself. I cried for a world where such things are permitted to happen. Now I have no more tears left for crying.

LAREDO, the Tombs, Atlanta, West St., and now Alcatraz. San Francisco is a long way from New York.

The day of New Year's Eve I took the boat, the "Warden Johnson," with my husband's mother, and we rode across the Bay to "the Rock." Alcatraz is an island, its tall watch towers guard the prisoners and the Bay in unceasing wind and fog. At night the yellow signal light sweeps the sky unremittingly. One huge sign warns, "Do not anchor, Cable crossing," and the other, "Warning, anyone assisting the escape of a prisoner is liable to imprisonment." In the boat the guard who checks your name upon his list asks ever so politely, "Any firearms?" Almost an unnecessary question one might suppose because after you have signed the book, you must walk through a metal detector. This would seem to be an encouraging kind of thing. Pehaps with precautions such as these we might be permitted to sit side by side, or at least across a table? But Mort had written that the visiting here was like the Tombs. And so it is. Except that here we may sit to speak to each other, except that here we need not worry about not getting a telephone. We have chairs and telephones and a wall of steel and a small pane of glass.

They took the most talented, the most sensitive and the most alive young scientist, and they sent him to Alcatraz. Alcatraz, for the most desperate and uncontrollable offenders against society, never for a man like Morton Sobell. He doesn't belong in any prison, certainly not in Alcatraz.

ALCATRAZ IS MEANT to break the heart and mind of man. Last year Mort wrote to me:

> Most beloved Helen: Was lying down, trying to think of what and how I'd write you. I guess I'll just write. Any comments on the ethics of the transfer on Thanksgiving Eve would be superfluous. I guess you were sort of ready for it, darling. Wondering what kind of a day you had today. When I was in the plane at LaGuardia I looked for you at the visitor's pavilion, thought maybe a miracle might make you appear, also kept calling for my Helen, softly, maybe she even heard me.
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> What a contrast, winging my way across the sky, sort of the acme of freedom, physical, flight is, only to lead into this 4x8 cell on a barren isle. Had two wonderful meals, good coffee and fruit. It was really the first time I was in "normal" surroundings since I was originally kidnapped, and it was easy for me to perceive that this short time has warped my senses, how seriously is the open question. Stretched at Chicago, and on to San Francisco. The contrast of all that I saw in that brief half-day, with all I will see for the next long period—.
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> Went to bed as soon as I got here, minimum of red tape since it's a small institution. I thought of my sweetheart and then fell asleep, but, alas I awoke in the middle of the night and couldn't fall asleep again. So I thought and waited for the morning, to see what it would unfold. It took such a long time in coming. No commissary here so I was supplied with toothbrush and soap. No daily newspapers are permitted (except the sport sheet). Textbooks I believe I'll be able to get, the library is quite poor (the catalogue is in book form and one orders from the catalogue). So this is what it looks like to me when I've been here less than 24 hours.
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> How do I feel? I don't know, I mean it. I guess it would be much akin to a state of shock. One can't react to all this immediately, takes a little while for the pendulum to start swinging, but through all of it one thought keeps running through my mind, "Mort you mustn't begin to live all your life in here, for that's certain death, of the mind.". . .
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> It won't be easy Helen, not like when we could see each other every week, but we'll always have to remember our oneness, how close it is. It's difficult, at the moment, sweetness and light, for me to remove myself out of this cell and beyond these walls to our apartment. The time here is three hours later—the distance—I guess that doesn't matter, but it's the mood. I can't place myself into anything that will stop this whirling that seems to be taking place around me. I experienced much the same when I left you last time, after the Tombs, but now it's so different, isn't it? So much more we have gone through, so much more we know and understand and feel.

HE used to hurry home each day and tell me how his work was going. He didn't stop to rest or to read, but rushed to bathe the baby, or help with dinner, or plant the garden or to study, to teach, to live. Each omelet, each tulip, each baby food prepared was an adventure in living, to be handled carefully, thoughtfully, to be done well. Even prison could not make of him a destroyer; he is a builder, a creative worker still.

Two years in prison, a year in Alcatraz have not broken Morton Sobell's spirit; he understands. He is innocent, he is courageous, he must not be destroyed. He must, and will walk free.

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War & Peace

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proposals will always be old until they are transformed into reality. They will be new in new world conditions. Until atomic war is outlawed and the arms race halted, we will not budge from our path."

THE VITAL PROBLEM: The speech expressed the gravity with which Moscow views the accelerating arms race, in contrast to the all-out U.S. propaganda that it has "closed the door to negotiations." The same gravity was apparent in Foreign Minister Molotov's Nov. 13 press conference—his first in six years. In a statement as important as any out of Moscow since Stalin died, Molotov made it very plain that:

1. The U.S.S.R. considers it "of paramount importance that a five-power conference [including China] should proceed from the necessity to stop the arms drive"—to reduce the armaments, and outlaw the A- and H-weapons, "primarily of the Great Powers themselves" whom the UN Charter makes responsible for safeguarding peace. This is the most "important and pressing" problem for the world's people; but "we express our readiness to examine other problems as well on the solution of which depends the lessening of international tension."

Canard Enchaine, Paris

Nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize: the inventor of the bed in which generals die.

2. The U.S.S.R. will not abandon basic positions, no matter what the threat of "force." A hardening of Soviet policy, to be expected in view of repeated Western rejection of its proposals to negotiate settlements, is clear.

3. Moscow has made concessions; it is now Washington's turn.

BASIC POSITIONS: As outlined by Molotov, these are basic positions on which there will be no yielding:

● **Admission of the actual government of China to full participation in world affairs is essential to the lessening of tension.** No Asiatic problem can be settled until this is accomplished. Western opposition to it shows where responsibility for East-West tension lies.

● **Unalterable opposition to W. German rearmament.** A West Germany drawn into a "bloc directed against" the socialist countries will become "a direct threat to the security of the peoples of France, Poland, Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, the Netherlands, and other European countries"; will "deprive these peoples of confidence in their tomorrow since under such circumstances it will be impossible to rely on security in Europe." Moscow will not enter negotiations conditioned on W. German rearmament.

● **The question must be examined of abolishing U.S. bases circling the socialist world,** which threaten European and world security. (U.S. acquisition of bases in Greece and Spain, last month, was followed by intensified pressure for bases in Denmark, Norway and Pakistan, and a U.S.-Canadian agreement on their role in a new war.)

L'Express, Paris

Moscow, in short, is prepared to negotiate not to continue the cold war—which Vishinsky called a "preparatory stage" to a new world war—but to end it. But as Molotov said, the U.S.S.R. is not so naive as to think all problems can be settled at once.

THE SMOG & THE TRUTH: Washington and its captive U.S. press have buried Molotov's statement under a smog of propaganda—let loose even before publication of Moscow's Nov. 3 note urging East-West talks—that the Soviets have torpedoed a four-power conference. Actually, as London's **New Statesman** points out (11/21),

> . . . it is the Western Powers who have torpedoed the conference . . . who have adopted the propaganda device, first developed by Adolf Hitler, of attributing to their enemy the dubious tactics they themselves have chosen to employ.

Washington's current spy hysteria is likewise aimed to conceal from Americans the concrete proposals from Moscow and the bankruptcy of its own cold-war policy. The reality was pointed out two years ago (**In Defense of the National Interest,** Knopf, 1951) by Chicago University Prof. Hans Morgenthau:

> The U.S. has passed the pinnacle of its power in relation to the Soviet Union. . . . [Hence] the unilateral application of pressure as the sole means of achieving our objectives has become impossible.

THE TWIN DANGERS: Prof. Morgenthau saw a "great threat to peace" in "our leaders' weakness — diplomatic, military, intellectual, moral," and urged Washington to negotiate a settlement since its bargaining power would shrink as the U.S.S.R. acquired atomic stockpiles and the H-bomb. Moscow clearly sees the threat in courses which, if Washington pursues them further, will make war inevitable. But it also sees this danger calling forth from the people "a greater determination to achieve peaceful settlement" (Molotov).

Americans can still head off the twin dangers of war and domestic fascism—by piercing the smog and insisting on negotiations to end the cold war.

Congress probes

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few of the communist-dominated unions which present a continuing threat to our national security."

David Scribner, UE's general counsel, was himself named as a "communist" by a witness before the committee. Sen. Buler promptly served him with a subpena, ordered him to take the stand. Scribner declined on several grounds, including the one that his clients would thereby be deprived of the right to counsel; Butler threatened contempt proceedings against him. After three days of hearings, during which 11 of 12 unionists called refused to answer (ten were UE members), Butler said he had "exposed a shocking situation."

"MAKES IT CLEAR": Joe McCarthy himself, as a sort of interim activity pending bigger things, also went after the UE with hearings in Albany, N.Y., and Boston. His procedure was standard; following closed and secret sessions, he told the press what he wanted it to hear. His main charge: that "communists" have "infiltrated" General Electric plants and acquired "a complete picture" of their work. McCarthy observations included these:

> "Whenever a witness invokes the Fifth Amendment" [in response to a loaded question], that "makes it clear they're been engaged in espionage."
>
> "Frankly, I hope that General Electric decides to can any employe who pleads the Fifth Amendment before this committee. These Fifth Amendment communists should not be working on government projects."

One McCarthy Boston witness who said he was an undercover FBI agent proved to have a record of AWOL from the Army in 1919 and 1921 and at least two arrests for passing bad checks. UE president Albert J. Fitzgerald commented afterward:

> "McCarthy's hit-and-run smears cannot hide the fact that he supplies no proof of his charges. McCarthy's circus is . . . part of the national campaign to open the way for passage of anti-labor legislation now before Congress, which would permit the indiscriminate firing of union men and women under the smokescreen of hunting for 'sabotage' and 'espionage.'"

THE DEFLATED SECY.: Between times McCarthy was showing Army Secy. Robert T. Stevens who was boss. For weeks McCarthy, conducting secret hearings on the Army's Signal Corps radar laboratories at Fort Monmouth, N.J., had made sensational headlines about spy rings. As early as Oct. 12 McCarthy had declared his probes there had turned up "all the earmarks of extremely dangerous espionage." But on Nov. 13 Stevens announced:

> "We have been unable to find anything relating to espionage."

He reported that several of 33 employes suspended have already been reinstated and the others would get fair hearings before an Army loyalty

ALBERT J. FITZGERALD
The plot was clear

review board. He conceded there might have been wartime espionage at Monmouth but there was no "current case" of subversion and he knew of no missing documents that had not been found. To McCarthy this was treachery, if not treason. Next day in a speech in Portland, Me., he said Stevens' statement

> ". . . makes it necessary to open public hearings almost immediately. . . . Public testimony will show that there was espionage in the Signal Corps after the war."

Two days later the Senator went further, said he would produce "evidence of actual stealing of classified material from the Signal Corps after the war."

JOE KNOWS BEST: This, in effect, made Stevens a liar. On Nov. 17 the Army Secy. flew into New York, invited the Senator to lunch, then held a press conference. He told reporters he had been misrepresented earlier, stated flatly that "there was espionage in the Signal Corps at Fort Monmouth in the late stages of the war and in later years. Whether it was cut off in 1949, 1950, or 1951 is difficult to determine." He added:

> "When I stated at a press conference last Friday that the Army has no proof of current espionage, I want to make it unmistakably clear that I was speaking of the Army investigation only, and not of the inquiry by the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of which Sen. McCarthy is chairman."

Seldom had such a high official of government been so humbled in public. In normal times a normal man would have resigned rather than collapse under the McCarthy brass-knuckles. The Senator announced on Nov. 20 that his public hearings would open Nov. 24.

MORE "RED" TEACHERS: Rep. Harold Velde's Un-American Activities Committee was also busy. Following three days of hearings in Philadelphia, 26 public school teachers were suspended and faced charges aimed at their dismissal; 16 had refused to answer committee questions, the other 10 declined to talk in private interviews conducted by the superintendent of schools. Before the committee's arrival, Board of Education pres. Walter Biddle Saul, an old-fashioned member of an old family, said:

> "There has never been any subversive teaching in any public school in the city, and our administrative officers have been alert to see that there is no such teaching and will continue to be so alert."

He had failed to note an earlier observation by Atty. Gen. Brownell who said of "subversive" teachers:

> "The poisonous propaganda was sufficiently subtle to escape detection in the class room."

BASIC TARGET: Clearly board pres. Saul was not the man to know how to punish that which cannot be detected. He had probably also missed a Velde pronouncement in the Congressional Record of March 9, 1950:

> "The basis of all communism and socialistic influence is education of the people."

Anyway, Saul was abroad while the hearings were on. Two of the teacher victims are the current and former pres. of the independent Teachers Union. Suspended even before the committee came to town was Mrs. Lillian Lowenfels, who taught French in a veterans' program at Benjamin Franklin High School; her husband was recently indicted under the Smith Act.

The White Affair

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Herbert Norman was known to him as a Communist in 1938. Norman at the time of the testimony was acting head of Canada's UN delegation; he has held many high posts in the Canadian government. During the same hearings Lester Pearson, Canadian Secy. for External Affairs, was mentioned.

At the time Pearson described the rumors and reports from the subcommittee as "rather nasty," and Canadian newspapers published angry editorials on "The Smear Comes North" and "The Contemptible Attack on Mr. Norman." A leading paper said "Canadians want no part of the current Washington witch-hunt." On Aug. 9, 1951, Pearson reported that the charges against Norman

> ". . . were very carefully and fully investigated by the security authorities of the government, as a result of which Mr. Norman was given a clean bill of health and he therefore remains a trusted official. . . ."

BLACKMAIL: Most recently, on Nov. 17, Victor Lasky, a professional anti-Communist, attacked Pearson in a New York speech for "consistently sabotaging U.S. efforts to unravel the skein of Soviet intrigue in Washington and Ottawa." Pearson called the charge "false to the point of absurdity."

But through leaks it became understood that the Jenner Committee itself intended a new attack on Pearson and other Canadians in an effort to force the production of Gouzenko; the Toronto **Star** wrote that the Canadian government was considering the second request for Gouzenko's appearance "in the full knowledge that it is being blackmailed."

On Nov. 23 Robert Morris, counsel for the Jenner Committee, told reporters the committee had never intended, as charged by the Toronto Star, to name Pearson as having supplied information to a Communist spy ring.

SINCERITY PLEASE: Pearson that same evening spoke before the English-Speaking Union in New York, urged that "freedom-loving nations" accept each other's "sincerity and good faith." In informal remarks he said he was glad to be in the Union's quiet atmosphere "where nobody is going to ask me, I hope, 'Why don't you make Mr. Gouzenko appear for questioning?' or 'When did you cease to be a Communist?'"

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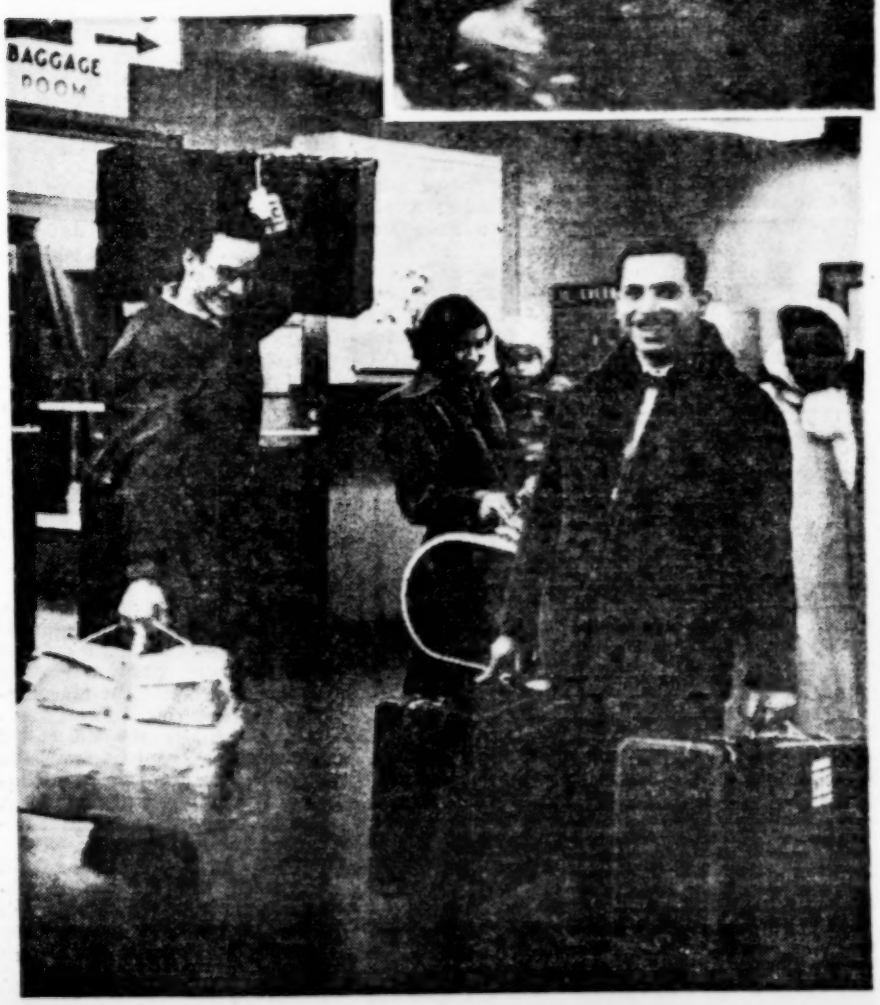
They come from Puerto Rico to work, to live, to hope

Guardian photo by Bernard

Down the gangplank come old men, GI's, babies so fresh from the tropics they must be bundled against the cold at New York's Idlewild Airport. Puerto Rico is 1,600 miles, 6 to 8 air hours from New York. Every week, over 1,000 Puerto Ricans come by air.

"Low-cost, dependable Puerto Rican labor—an abundant supply is available." Thus reads an employment agency circular. Agencies regularly fly P. R. women up in jam-packed chartered planes (some have died in air crashes). Employers pay $110 a month, send half to the agency. Some women have reported threats of prosecution for "fraud" if they left their jobs.

Few families can afford to make the trip together. Women follow in the second wave. All seek the one thing their island doesn't have: jobs. They are farmers, garment workers, welders, cooks, carpenters, mechanics, cement mixers. History's coincidence: New York's labor force is shrinking just when Puerto Ricans need jobs. Much of the city's services and industry is now up to them. The city's politics must reckon them as a major factor. They number 5% of N. Y. population — ⅓ of Manhattan together with Negro residents.



Waiting for baggage at Idlewild is like standing at the doorway of a new house. For many it took years to save the $64 fare. Some pay $20 down, the rest in installments. Next problem: finding a place to live.

These women wait not for baggage but for their children, hold a telegram saying the kids are coming. Parents must find work and a home first, then send for the young ones. Every day 10 or more children arrive unaccompanied. Some wires go astray; frequently children stay all night in the office behind a Pan-American Airways counter, while someone tries to find the person whose name is scrawled on a piece of paper clutched in a child's hand.

THE POLITICAL FRONT

Liberals will advise Wagner, Tammany will dish plums, Big Business to administer

By Elmer Bendiner

BEHIND City Hall a grimy, leaky courthouse stands as a monument to Tammany Hall. It was built by Boss William M. Tweed in 1870 and was supposed to cost $350,000. Tammany contracting methods brought the final bill up to $8,000,000.

Last week Budget Director Abraham Beame proposed to tear down the grim memento of old-fashioned graft and erect a new office building to house the Mayor's official family of experts and advisers at a cost of $4,520,000. With Tammany restored to full power and Boss Carmine DeSapio doling out the patronage, none would guess what the mark-up might be on the 1953 Tammany monument.

WING FOR LIBERALS: The new building might be the headquarters—or the shelf—where the incoming administration would keep its liberal wing. The Mayor announced last week an Advisory Council under former U.S. Housing Administrator Nathan Straus, exponent of public housing, opponent of existing policies that clear out slum-dwellers along with slums, turn over housing to private contractors to build apartments slum-dwellers cannot afford.

Wagner designated Averell Harriman, regarded as governorship timber by "liberal" Democrats, to serve as "honorary chairman." Harriman quickly said he regarded the post as more active than honorary. Wagner made it clear his "brains trust" would advise all departments and himself but that their recommendations would be binding on nobody.

FAMILY PORTRAIT: When he arrived at Grand Central Station fresh from his post-election vacation in the Bahamas, the Mayor-elect dodged questions on his support of Harriman or Roosevelt Jr. for the governorship, saying only he would campaign for the party's choice. (Roosevelt has already indicated he is on call.) He ruled himself out of the running but it was far too early for any declinations to be final.

During his Bahamas rest Wagner demonstrated his ability to balance among the "liberals," the machine regulars and the bi-partisan business interests. He turned over all intra-party matters, including patronage dispensing, to Boss DeSapio. He retained two incumbents: Budget Director Beame, mainly a technician, and Park Commissioner and City Construction Co-ordinator Robert Moses, enthusiastically backed by big-business and banking interests in every administration since LaGuardia's. He created a new job of City Administrator for Dr. Luther H. Gulick, a municipal government expert who has repeatedly recommended payroll slashing as a budget solution and has won commendation from big business sources all over town.

PARTY WOUNDS HEAL: Wagner's new press secy., William Peer, and corporation counsel Adrian P. Burke clearly won their jobs as Wagner campaigners. The key spots were yet to be filled. Within the Democratic Party the wounds of the recent primary were healing fast. Queens Boss Roe, most vehement of Impellitteri backers and vituperative of red-baiters, weathered all storms in the county committee, seemed set at least until next primary day. Brooklyn Boss Sutherland was still in office though he attempted to resign "for reasons of health" and had to be persuaded by Democratic State Chairman Balch to stay awhile.

WHO SAID RENTS? The GOP was solving its own problems with machine-like efficiency. It staged its special session of the Legislature without a single mention of rents, taxes or milk prices, devoting itself to the Wicks scandal (his visits to extortionist Joseph Fay), and a gerrymander. Sen. Wicks was disposed of in a deal whereby he presided over the Senate throughout, then after adjournment resigned as pro-tem Senate president and majority leader because, he said, he was going on a vacation. Since no vote was taken on his resignation, all hands were in the clear. Wicks said he felt "vindicated." Dewey forces said they had won because Wicks was out.

The gerrymander cut New York City's representation (normally Democratic) from 44.6% to 43.1% in the Senate; from 44.6% to 43.3% in the Assembly. Earlier GOP map-drawing so arranged the state's representation that, for example, Republican Onondaga County gets one Senator for every 167,000 people, Democratic Bronx County one for every 340,000. The new district chopping keeps Negro and Puerto Rican areas underrepresented, but a more flagrant Brooklyn gerrymander proposed by GOP Boss John R. Crews was defeated.

Guardian angels

In acknowledging the flood of Fifth Anniversary greetings from all our good friends, we'd like to say "Thanks a million" to the New Yorkers who have answered our requests for volunteer help in the office. We get valuable help from a group of women who come in regularly during the week for a few hours work. Many time-consuming chores get done on Wednesday evening by others who come in after a day in their own offices. A housewife, whose child now is old enough to go to school, responded to our request for much-needed help in the library.

To all these good friends we say "Thank you most heartily—and keep coming."

—THE EDITORS

Smoggy Sunday in the Park

This is the way the Wollman Memorial rink in Central Park looked last week. While the press and radio made ponderous jokes about the smog and mother nature, New Yorkers coughed, cried and got sick to the stomach. The smog, as a California state law makes clear, is "smoke, charred paper, dust, soot, grime, carbon, noxious acids, odors or particular matter or any combination thereof." And don't let anybody tell you differently. P. S. The sun was shining brightly in St. Louis where they enforce the smoke laws.

SLEEP TIGHT, KIDDIES

3,412 acts of violence on TV every week here

NEW YORK's TV broadcasts exhibit 3,412 acts and threats of violence per week, an average of 6.2 per hour, according to a TV survey released Nov. 23 by the Natl. Assn. of Educational Broadcasters. In one typical week (1/4-1/10) 59 observers monitoring all programs broadcast over N.Y.'s 7 stations, found violence had increased 15% over 1952. In children's programs, which account for 28% of the violence, incidents increased from 17.5 to 22.4 per hour. Greatest frequency of violence, 36.6 acts per hour; was in "comedy" which is frequently considered fit for children to watch.

"In 1953 the gun displaced the fist or foot as the most common means used to commit violent acts," the survey stated. Use of the gun went up ten points, while foot and fist dropped 2 points. Three per cent of the violence was in military action scenes each of which counted as only one act, but furnished death or injury to countless persons.

HEROES & VILLAINS: Programs during hours when children listen had twice as much violence as those shown at other times. The incidence of violence in programs aimed at children was twice as high as in those intended for the general audience.

Monitors also found household workers on TV more "distant from community ideals" than housewives and "distinguished for the . . . dullness and softness of their characters." The unemployed were less honest and clean than any other non-criminal group. As heroes American-white men were more heroic than women or other men, but as villians, foreign and minority-race men were more villainous.

Advertising took up 18% of TV time; crime drama, 99 hours a week or 15.3%; news, 8%; westerns, 7%; programs identified with educational institutions, 1%.

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THE straphanger last week was caught in an up-and-down spiral of higher fares and less service. When the fare was raised to 15c last spring the number of riders dropped 11.1%.

Last week the Transit Authority, noting that there were fewer riders, ordered a more than corresponding cut in service. Beginning Dec. 15 BMT trains in off-rush-hours which now run on an official schedule calling for half-minute waits, will run at 8-minute intervals, up to 20 minutes after midnight. Some BMT riders who depend on only one line to get them home, may have to wait half an hour.

The IRT and Independent lines will be gradually slowed down throughout January. Buses and street cars will also be fewer and farther between. TA spokesmen made the announcement without apparent regrets, hailing the resultant economy they estimated at $1,464,400 annually. When TA Chairman Casey appeared on the Citizens Union "Searchlight" radio program last Sunday, he denied that fewer trains and longer waits meant higher fare and less service. He said the cuts were part of a plan to improve "over-all service."

UNION AGREES: The plan was in the works some months ago, its announcement delayed by CIO Transport Workers Union protests at the mass firings the service cuts would entail. Originally the TA called for slashing 402 jobs from the payroll. After months of mediation the union whittled down the job slashes to 349 and accepted the service cuts.

TWU pres. Michael Quill tempered the blow with announcement of a campaign to raise wages and benefits by $50,000,000, which at once started TA reports of another fare rise.

THE STUDENTS APPLAUDED

Columbia faculty calls school probes a peril to basic civil rights

CONGRESSIONAL committees have swept down on many campuses, met only spotty resistance. Last week while the Board of Higher Education prepared fresh hunts among New York college faculties the Columbia College faculty took a stand. On Nov. 16 it approved by 40 to 22 a resolution drafted by a committee under chairman Lionel Trilling, professor of English.

The resolution found current investigations of schools "unnecessary and harmful . . . because they are creating, in academic communities and in the nation at large, an atmosphere of apprehension and distrust that is jeopardizing the cause of free inquiry and threatening the right to dissent which is the foundation of civil liberties in a free society."

RIGHT OF ALL: Concerning those teachers who invoked the Fifth Amendment the resolution says: "It cannot be made a condition of membership in the teaching profession that a person surrender rights which are guaranteed by the law of the land. It is the right of every citizen to claim the privileges of the Fifth Amendment. . . ."

Columbia Pres. Kirk said last spring that those who cited the Fifth ought not to be "automatically" dismissed but he clearly indicated disapproval of those who "seek cover" behind it. The faculty said last week:

"The Amendment . . . cannot prevent inferences being drawn from the actions of those witnesses who claim its privilege. And of the inferences that will inevitably be drawn, some will fairly be that the privileges of the Amendment were invoked for purposes of evasion; some will fairly be that they were invoked for reasons of principle and honor."

THE REAL TEST: On the question of faculty informers, the resolution was strongest: "Moreover, we respect the motives which may lead a teacher under investigation not to plead the Fifth Amendment and to consent to answer questions about himself, but at the same time to decline, on grounds of personal morality and honor, to give information about other people." (Such a course would lead directly to a contempt citation.)

In academic language, the faculty said that "membership in Communist organizations almost certainly implies a submission to an intellectual control which is entirely at variance with the principles of academic competence as we understand them."

However, a test for fitness, they said, was not a teacher's affiliation but "his professional competence and personal integrity as demonstrated in his teaching and research. . . . Membership in an organization, unless it is specifically illegal, should not be thought to constitute sufficient ground for disqualifying a person from continued membership in an academic institution."

Interlandi in Newark Star-Ledger

"Isn't that Professor Hobbs? . . . Last time I heard of him he was appearing before a Senate investigating committee."

STUDENTS APPROVE: Although only 62 of 160 faculty members voted on the resolution, the statement seemed to sum up the stand of cautious resistance taken by the university as a whole. Dean of students Nicholas McKnight said:

"We did not differ with Dr. Kirk. We are satisfied with the attitude and behavior of the administration." The administration when it fired Dr. Gene Weltfish, progressive sociologist last winter, was careful to maintain it had nothing to do with her politics though it seemed plain her reappointment and advancement might have been assured had she been less outspoken.

Dr. Kirk's office made no direct comment but a spokesman told the student paper, the Columbia **Spectator:** "Draw your own conclusions," and added that the faculty "was entitled to its rights of free speech."

The **Spectator** applauded the faculty editorially:

"The Congressional attacks deep into academic territory have often forced the defenders to relinquish outlying positions. In Monday's timely statement the Columbia faculty has grasped an opportunity to fill the all-too-empty leadership vacuum in the academic community."

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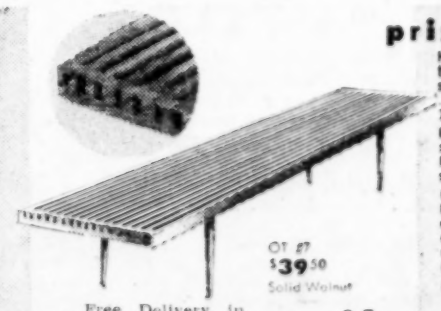
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STANLEY, 7th Av. at 41st St. Battle for China (docum.), cont.

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BRONX BOTANICAL GARDEN, Bronx Park. Holiday in West Newfoundland, illust. with kodachromes. Sat., Dec. 5, 3 p.m. Museum Bldg. Free.

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Plays

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FIVE LITTLE PEPPERS AND HOW THEY GREW, Junior Theater, Carnegie Recital Hall, 154 W. 57th St. Performances 2 p.m. on Sats., Dec. 5, 12, 19, 26. Adm.: $1.20, $1.80, $2.40. CI 6-0224.

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Where to Go

Drama

BLITHE SPIRIT, by Noel Coward. Institute Players, B'klyn Acad. of Music, 30 Lafayette Av. 8:30, Tues., Dec. 1. $1.50.

LADIES OF THE CORRIDOR, Parker-D'Usseau play. Last perf., Nov. 28. Longacre Theater, 48th St. W. of B'way.

THE EMPEROR'S CLOTHES, by George Tabori, directed by David Pressman. Greenwich Mews interracial theater. 141 W. 13th St. Nightly except Mon. & Fri., 8:40 p.m. Reserv: TR 3-4810.

THE WORLD OF SHOLOM ALEICHEM, 19th century Jewish humor dramatized by Arnold Perl. Barbizon-Plaza Theater, 58th & 6th Av. Tues.-Sun. eves., mats. Sat. & Sun. CO 5-7345.

OTHELLO, Shakespeare Guild Festival professional repertory. Jan Hus House, 351 E. 74th St. Thurs.-Sun. eves., 8:40. $1.20-$1.80; Sat. mat., 2:40. 78c-$1.20, thru Dec. 20. TR 9-5480.

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LARRY ADLER, Harmonica concert. Town Hall., 113 W. 43rd St. 8:30 p.m., Dec. 8. $1.20-$3.60, box office or Allen Assoc., 113 W. 57.

AMATO OPERA, 159 Bleecker St. Il Trovatore, Nov. 27-29, 8:30 p.m.; La Boheme, Nov. 4-6, 8:30 p.m. Free. Reserv: GR 7-2844.

OLD TIMERS' ORCHESTRA, B'klyn Museum, Eastern P'kway & Wash. Av. Sun., Nov. 29, 2 p.m. Free.

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WABD bans Charney telecast on Brownell

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On Nov. 18, 7 hours before Charney and Gerson were to go on the air, Dumont canceled the program; the station's counsel Robert Dreyer said it was because of "the sopnsors," the Citizens' Comm. to Elect Charney, and because the script contained "communist propaganda."

It was pointed out to the station that a Communist might be expected to express a Communist view, had done so over WABD before election.

BEFORE — AND AFTER: The station answered that before election FCC rules forced them to carry programs of all parties that could pay for time; after election, the station could use its "discretion."

Gerson charged the ban was imposed because the script denounced Atty. Gen. Brownell's charges against Harry Truman as "a cold, calculated pattern" of McCarthyism. The American Civil Liberties Union also protested.

In the script Charney calls the attack on Truman "a sort of Reichstag fire" devised by the GOP to counter electoral defeats, that "anybody connected with the New Deal in any way is considered part of the plot."

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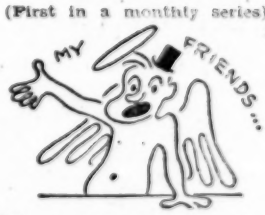

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"THE CRISIS OF BRITAIN AND THE BRITISH EMPIRE"

John Bull in the claws of the Eagle

By Ursula Wassermann

LONDON (by airmail)

IT would be sheer pretense to attempt in a few hundred words to review R. Palme Dutt's most recent—and many here believe his most important—book, **The Crisis of Britain and the British Empire.** The purpose of this piece rather is to draw attention of American readers to this book. While its title confines itself to the crisis of British imperialism, much of its content concerns the rise of aggressive American imperialism.

It presents as brilliant and as concise an analysis of Anglo-American collaboration, antagonism and conflict as any that has appeared in this country in the last decade. Tracing Anglo-American imperialist rivalry back before World War I (Walter H. Page, U. S. Ambassador to Britain, wrote to President Wilson in October, 1913: "The future of the world belongs to us. These English are spending their capital. . . .") Palme Dutt makes this point: Inter-imperialist rivalry makes for misery, unrest and war; the bogey of bolshevism, and later the "communist menace," is the smokescreen behind which rival imperialisms hide their true motives.

The decisive change in the balance of power between Britain and the U. S. came during World War II. Palme Dutt writes:

> By the end of the second world war, American capital controlled two-thirds of the productive capacity of the capitalist world and three-quarters of its investment capacity.
>
> In world trade Britain lost export markets during the war which were captured by American manufacturers. . . . Before the war British total trade exceeded that of the U. S. By 1951 U. S. total trade was more than half as large again as the British total. . . .
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> In world finance and the export of capital, sterling had to bow to the supremacy of the dollar. . . . The devaluation of the pound to $2.80 in 1949 revealed the changed position.

THE HEART OF IT: Yet the struggle for American supremacy was directed not so much against Britain proper, as against the United Kingdom as the nucleus of a vast empire. James Burnham in **The Struggle for the World,** wrote in 1947:

R. PALME DUTT

> It must be granted that the U. S. cannot within the allotted time win the leadership of a viable world political order merely by appeals to rational conviction... Power must be there.

Power has been there and has, since 1947, been used on an ever increasing scale—whether political, military, economic or financial. With the earth's surface carved up long ago, with an ever growing part of the world's population turning its back on the old order, American imperialism had to turn its attention toward penetrating and eventually dominating the older existing empires.

American economic and financial penetration of the British Empire—from bauxite in Jamaica to rubber in Malaya—is the most vital case in point. Yet the deepest penetration has occurred in the traditional strongholds of British economic supremacy, the Middle East and India. American exports to India increased from $42.8 million in 1938 to $501.8 million in 1951 (1,000%).

RESISTANCE GROWS: **Betro Review** (official organ of the British Export Trade Research Organisation) wrote as early as 1947:

> The determination of America capital to enter the Indian market is becoming more and more obvious. There has been a considerable influx of American technical experts into India. . . . Parallel to the Indo-British combines for manufacture in India, the Americans are also participating in joint Indo-American industrial production. . . . Americans seem to be associated with all the major development projects in the Indian Dominion.

The shift in political resistance following the Indian general election (1951/2), and the growing resistance to further American penetration of the India economy, may be the clue to the growing antagonism toward India recently shown by Washington.

THE SPREAD-EAGLE: Even as American capital began to capture Empire markets, heavy restrictions on East-West trade dealt another crippling blow to Britain's already vulnerable economic position. Moreover, American capital re-equipped West German and Japanese industry which today are rapidly expanding their export markets at British expense.

The modern capitalist world has become an American domain. Palme Dutt quotes Leo D. Welch, secy.-treas. of Standard Oil of N. J., in a public speech in 1946:

> "As the largest producer, the largest source of capital, and the biggest contributor to the global mechanism, we must set the pace and assume the responsibility of the majority stockholder in this corporation known as the world. . . . Nor is this for a given term of office. This is a permanent obligation."

Britain's real dilemma, as the author shows, is that she can only remain in even nominal possession of the Empire

> . . . by permission of American imperialism. The former owners became bailiffs. The Empire was mortgaged. . . . The British imperialists found it only possible to endeavor to maintain their Empire under the general suzerainty and control of the U. S.

THE CRISIS OF BRITAIN AND THE BRITISH EMPIRE by R. Palme Dutt. International Publishers, 381 Fourth Av., New York 16, N. Y. $5.50.

REPORT FROM MONTREAL

Strikes in mines and electrical plants are strengthening labor unity in Canada

By D. S. Daniels
Guardian special correspondent

MONTREAL

POLICE violence and a trend toward trade union unity mark the Canadian labor scene as a **Canadian Press** survey lists over 18,500 workers on strike (from the fishermen of Newfoundland to the woodworkers of British Columbia) and another 22,000 taking strike votes—the biggest strike wave since the great battles of 1946. In Montreal, several thousand municipal workers have been threatening to walk out.

The present strike movement, unlike 1946, is led mainly by right-wing unions, some in the very field formerly occupied by progressive unions. The issues are wages, hours—and the right to organize.

"RESPECTABILITY" A DUD: Most brutal action is being directed at United Electrical Workers strikers at Wallace Barnes of Hamilton, Ont., where police and strike-breakers have attacked picket lines. Injuries and arrests run high. The anti-labor attacks, however, are not confined to the progressives; right-wing and center unions are threatened with extinction.

In northern Ontario and Quebec—two provinces with anti-labor governments—strikes by copper and gold workers begun in July involved only a few hundred workers; now almost all gold output is at a standstill and 6,000 miners are picketing outside nine mines. Most of them participated in the 1946 strikes, when they belonged to the Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers—in Canada as in the U. S. a union alert to rank-and-file wishes. When they lost after an 84-day strike, raiders from the United Steel Workers told them: "Respectability is what is needed. Then the mine owners will give you better conditions." After some intensive red-baiting by the USW and the mine-owners, the miners went in the USW.

Now the owners have turned their backs on the "respectable" USW. "It [the strike] had to happen," said Pat Burke, USW area organizer, "because the company refused to budge in the face of reasonable demands."

RIGHT-WING SUPPORT: Wages in the gold mines are 50-80c an hour lower than comparable rates in base metal mines. Conciliation boards have recommended the voluntary check-off and 7-10c increases. One board recommended a cut in the 48-hour work week to 44 hours. All were rejected by the companies.

William Mahoney, asst. natl. director of USW, accused the companies of "trying to destroy our union." His sentiments were echoed by delegates to the convention of the Canadian Congress of Labor, to which USW and all other CIO unions are affiliated. (Like the CIO, the CCL has expelled unions such as Mine-Mill and UE. The movement is officially affiliated to the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation, Canadian social democratic party.)

Support also came from the right-wing Canadian and Catholic Federation of Labor (CCCL). The Railways brotherhoods, too, rallied around.

Wall Street Journal

"Testing . . . one billion, two billion, three billion. . . ."

VIOLENCE: Pleading poverty, the mine-owners spoke about keeping the mines closed for months. (Hollinger Consolidated showed a 1952 profit before taxes of $2,410,273; McIntyre Porcupine for the year ending March 31, 1953, $2,298,184. The gold mines are paid subsidies by the government; last year they got $10 million, this year $13 million.)

The meat packers stopped credits to merchants in the strike-bound towns. Scabs were brought into the Broulon Reef mine. Threats to arm strike-breakers were made. Violence was provoked on the line. Two local officials are being charged with attempted murder and attempted arson. **British United Press** reported:

> The area around the strike-bound Broulon Reef gold mine . . . looked like a huge penitentiary. Clusters of armed guards and Provincial Police were on the alert constantly. . . .

FRIENDS UNDER FIRE: Nels Thibault, a Mine-Mill official, electrified the CCL convention (to which he was not a delegate) when he sent a scribbled message to Charles Millard, head of Canadian USW, pledging on behalf of his union $1,000 a week to the strikers of Timmons and Noranda. "Is Steel prepared to accept?' he asked. There was a thundering round of applause. Millard, who had admitted spending $500,000 to raid Mine-Mill, accepted.

The mine-owners, in expensive daily newspaper ads throughout the country (notwithstanding their "poverty"), have pointed out that Millard was a member of the CCF, and that this "socialist" party wanted to nationalize their mines. The ads seem to have fooled few people. In the towns where attempts were made to divide the people, merchants are extending credit, citizens have joined to press the government to settle the strikes. Stores have slashed prices for strikers. One person in Timmons has provided a huge kitchen to feed the strikers—3,000 dinners and 2,000 breakfasts every day.

THE LESSON: This unity has moved on to the picket-lines of the UE in Hamilton. Workers from other unions have joined the lines early in the morning when the police "escorted" the scabs in. City Controller and former Mayor Sam Lawrence, old-time socialist and CCF member, whose son is chief of police, joined the pickets. The company has brought forward a company union which has failed to get AFL or CCL affiliation.

In 1946 the trade union movement united in face of attacks. It appears that a new movement in that direction is beginning as more and more unionists agree with George Harris, UE Canadian dist. secy., that

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—Letter from Amesbury, Mass., to the editor of unidentified local paper (clipping sent by Guardian reader).

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—Chicago **Tribune**, 8. 19. 53.

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Jury split revealed on Hallinan verdict

HALF an hour after a San Francisco jury found him guilty of income tax evasion, Vincent Hallinan, prominent civil liberties laywer who was the Progressive Party's 1952 Presidential candidate, addressed a mass meeting on the "threat to world peace" of the U. S. deal with Franco Spain. His wife Vivian, tried with him but found not guilty, also spoke to the meeting commemorating the 17th anniversary of the defense of Madrid. They received a thunderous ovation.

Sentence on Hallinan, who is appealing the verdict, will be set Dec. 8. After the verdict, at which neither of the Hallinan's "blinked an eye" (S. F. **Chronicle**, 11/15), Federal Judge Edward P. Murphy said almost before defense counsel could ask for bail:

"Vincent Hallinan never ran away from anything in his life! I certainly am not going to order him into custody."

JURY HOLD-OUTS: The prosecution had called both the Hallinans "swindlers who knew exactly what they were doing," but newspapermen who covered the eight-week trial said privately that they felt the couple emerged from the case as generous human beings who used their wealth freely for others' benefit but were careless with records. The government had produced no evidence of "kickback," fictitious entry or other deliberately fraudulent act. Hallinan charged that it had, however, done "everything possible to prejudice the jury by mentioning political activity, by red-baiting and political jibes."

Jurors said afterwards that two men and one woman on the jury, which reached its verdict after "14 hours of bitter wrangling," had held out for Hallinan's acquittal, one man arguing the trial was "political persecution"; one of the men said he still "didn't really think Hallinan was guilty on any of the counts." (**SFC**, 11/15).

Hallinan faces a possible five years in jail and $10,000 fine on each of five counts. He recalled that jail for "contempt" was a recurring theme of his 33 militant years as a lawyer: a jail sentence cut short his honeymoon in 1934, he served a 45-minute "term" in 1938 and a six-month term in 1952 for his defense of Harry Bridges.

100,000-member IWO faces extinction

IN June, 1951, N. Y. Supreme Court Justice H. C. Greenberg granted the State Insurance Dept.'s application to take over and dissolve the Intl. Workers Order on the ground that Communists dominated it. The N. Y. Court of Appeals last April 23 concurred, saying there could be "no question that the IWO's continued course of political action . . . violates laws of this state and, therefore, permits liquidation."

The IWO and its Policyholders Protective Committee appealed to the U. S. Supreme Court, but that body on Oct. 19 refused to review N. Y. State's action. As a result, said IWO natl. recording secretary Dave Greene, the state, three hours after the High Court ruling, "was demanding of Justice Greenberg the right to take complete charge immediately." Greene told the GUARDIAN:

"The State asked the N. Y. Supreme Court to order us to show cause why the Insurance Dept. shouldn't become sole managers of our more than 100,000 members, $7,500,000 in assets and over $75,000,000 of insurance right now, even before we'd had a chance to apply for U. S. Supreme Court rehearing. We have a legal right to see their insurance plan and have been demanding to see it; but, whatever it is, they have been holding it back until the IWO officers are out of the way. That explains the show-cause order which Justice Greenberg has signed, giving sole management to the State Insurance Dept. We urge all members to protest to Gov. Thomas E. Dewey in Albany and to State Supreme Court Justice Greenberg in New York City not to let the Insurance Dept. take over before we make application for a rehearing before the U. S. Supreme Court."

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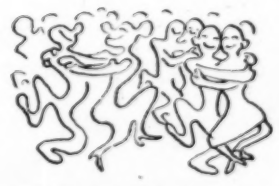

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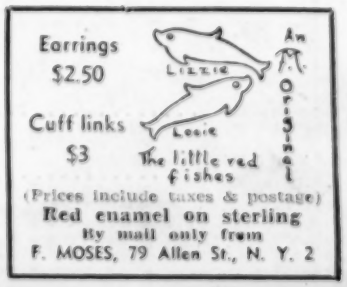

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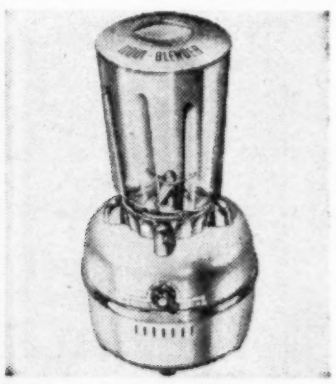

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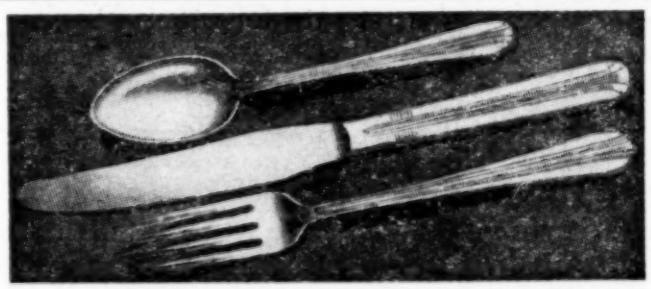

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WEIGHT IN LBS. OVER 8 OZ. TO	Local	1 & 2 Up to 150 Miles	3 150 to 300 Miles	4 300 to 600 Miles	5 600 to 1,000 Miles	6 1,000 to 1,400 Miles	7 1,400 to 1,800 Miles	8 Over 1,800 Miles
1	$0.18	$0.23	$0.23	$0.24	$0.26	$0.28	$0.30	$0.32
2	.20	.27	.29	.31	.36	.40	.46	.51
3	.21	.31	.34	.38	.45	.52	.61	.69
4	.23	.35	.39	.45	.54	.64	.76	.87
5	.24	.39	.44	.52	.63	.76	.91	1.05
6	.26	.43	.49	.59	.73	.88	1.06	1.23
7	.27	.47	.54	.66	.82	1.00	1.22	1.41
8	.29	.51	.60	.73	.91	1.12	1.37	1.59
9	.30	.55	.65	.80	1.00	1.24	1.52	1.77
10	.32	.59	.70	.87	1.10	1.36	1.67	1.95
11	.33	.63	.75	.93	1.19	1.48	1.82	2.13
12	.34	.67	.80	1.00	1.28	1.60	1.98	2.31
13	.36	.71	.85	1.07	1.37	1.72	2.13	2.49
14	.37	.75	.90	1.14	1.47	1.84	2.28	2.67
15	.39	.79	.96	1.21	1.56	1.96	2.43	2.85
16	.40	.83	1.01	1.28	1.65	2.08	2.58	3.03
17	.42	.87	1.06	1.35	1.74	2.20	2.74	3.21
18	.43	.91	1.11	1.42	1.84	2.32	2.89	3.39
19	.45	.95	1.16	1.49	1.93	2.44	3.04	3.57
20	.46	.99	1.21	1.56	2.02	2.56	3.19	3.75